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REQUEST FOR SOLE SOURCE

TO: CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER, STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
 FROM: DLNR, DIVISION OF AQUATIC RESOURCES
 (Department/Division/Agency)
 RE: REQUEST FOR SOLE SOURCE APPROVAL

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Pursuant to §103D-306, HRS, and Subchapter 9, Chapter 3-122, HAR, the Department requests sole source approval to purchase the following:

Description of goods, services, or construction:

Technical Dive Training

-Advanced Nitrox

-Normoxic Trimix

Name of Vendor: Gallant Aquatic Ventures International

Cost: \$ 1,350 per person

Term of Contract: From Oct 1, 2003 To Dec 31, 2003**

**As staff schedules allow

Prior Sole Source Reference No.(s), if any: NONE

(1) The goods, services, or construction has the following unique features, characteristics, or capabilities:

This training is very specialized. This training is very limited in its availability.

(2) How the unique features, characteristics, or capabilities are essential for the agency to accomplish its work:

This training will allow our divers to conduct required research for resource management. This capability will our expand our ability for specialized survey work. This will in turn allow us to properly manage our resources.

(Attach Additional Sheets if Necessary)

- (3) The following other possible sources for the goods, services, or construction were investigated but do not meet our needs because:

Part of this training can only be supplied by one vendor. The president of the company is the only instructor in the State of Hawaii. The other part of the course is available through a few vendors. However, this training presented in a package for quality and safety reasons. It is safer to complete all parts of the training through one instructor. This reassures consistency in safety protocols for all training.

Direct questions to: Tony Montgomery ph. 587-0365
A completed Notice of Sole Source is attached.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, TRUE, CORRECT AND THAT THE GOODS, SERVICES, OR CONSTRUCTION ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH ONLY ONE SOURCE.

Department/Agency Head

Francis B. Oleske
Authorized Designee

Title: Acting Administrator

Date: _____

Date: 7-16-03

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

Please ensure adherence to applicable administrative and statutory requirements.

This expenditure may be processed through a purchase order:
Yes _____ No _____. If no, a contract must be executed and funds certified.

APPROVED

DENIED

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER

Date: _____

Gallant Aquatic Ventures International

Instructor: Joe Dituri

Normoxic Trimix

Cost: \$1,000 per diver

Prerequisites: You must be an Advanced Nitrox / Deep Air certified diver or show equivalence.

Course Description: Introduction to the use of doubles with single stage tank. Skills learned include optimization of decompression with the use of high concentrations of oxygen, introduction to methods of handling narcosis, and introduction to long decompression dives. Tracking of OUT and CNS exposure is expected. The concept of self-sufficiency is heightened, along with real life scenarios to better prepare you for possible problems. Extensive in water time with doubles. You will learn the thought process, which went into the current decompression models and their use today. You will also learn how to reduce inert gas narcosis with the introduction of Helium as a breathing gas. Extensive work with stage bottle and different methods of decompression are course requirements. Dives are conducted between 140-210 fsw.

Expectations: This course gives you the knowledge required to safely dive to 210fsw and decrease the decompression obligation by optimizing with high oxygen percentage gas switches.

Advanced Nitrox/Deep Air

Cost: \$350 per diver

Prerequisites: You must be a Nitrox diver. You also must be at least 18 years old or 15 years old with guardian's signature.

Course Description: This is a course which is limited to 130 fsw, BUT it introduces you to the methods of in water decompression and allows divers to use up to 50% Nitrox for decompression. It is also the first introduction to gas use from an independent gas source. Also introduced will be gas sharing and matching techniques.

Expectations: Upon successful completion, a diver will be able to obtain Nitrox mixes up to 50% and perform limited amounts of decompression. This course also has a lot of in water time.